



*Dr. Walter Balfour
(Chemistry) and his
wife Dr. Rosemary
Picozzi Balfour
(Germanic Languages
and Literature) at
their wedding
reception in the
Faculty Club
earlier this month.*

RETIREMENT DATE EXTENDED

Chairman of the Board of Governors S.L. Cunliffe announced last week the extension of President Farquhar's term of office to August 31, 1974. The President was originally scheduled to retire June 30.

Mr. Cunliffe, who is chairman of the Advisory Committee to Nominate Candidates for the Presidency, said the search for President Farquhar's successor "is proceeding expeditiously." He said the Board will endeavour to make its selection by the end of August.

UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS EDITOR VISITS

Editor of Canada's only national news-magazine for universities, Gloria Pierre, visited the university recently, meeting briefly with representatives of faculty and students.

Mrs. Pierre edits *University Affairs*, a bilingual monthly magazine, published by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada in Ottawa, but printed, edited and distributed in Montreal.

University Affairs is distributed free to

all members of AUCC member organizations, which include about 25,000 faculty members. Total circulation, including subscribers in Canada, the U.S.A. and Europe is 44,000.

"That doesn't mean everyone reads everything in it," Mrs. Pierre admitted. "A lot read the vacancy listings — which some people consider a sort of gossip column. They read through their disciplines to find out what's going on."

However, in an independent survey conducted three years ago, Mrs. Pierre said, 96 per cent of the mailing list indicated a desire to continue receiving the magazine.

"The computer cost of changing addresses each month also demonstrates people do not consider *University Affairs* a throw-away," Mrs. Pierre said.

Response to articles in *University Affairs* shows many readers are interested in what is happening across the country and in the opinions expressed in the magazine, Mrs. Pierre said.

"We deal with things that hit critical issues in higher education; we try to introduce topics that will produce discussion."

Subjects generating interest in *University Affairs* include curriculum developments, instructional methods, and opinions on teaching versus research, tenure, collective bargaining and student counselling. Development of Canadian studies at universities across the nation is also of particular concern to the publication.

Contributors of articles are recruited from throughout the Canadian academic community.

Response from contributors is consistently good, Mrs. Pierre said, probably because *University Affairs* offers a national forum and despite the fact that the magazine offers no remuneration.

"We are certain some universities have larger budgets than ours for their internal publications," said Mrs. Pierre, who would particularly like to see a larger staff for the magazine.

She stressed *University Affairs* does not see itself as a scholarly publication.

"We don't do highly specialized articles on specific disciplines unless they show, for example, new teaching methodology."

Mrs. Pierre feels there is a definite need for a national newsmagazine catering to the academic community. However, she pointed out her efforts are sabotaged somewhat by the expense and delay of third class mail.

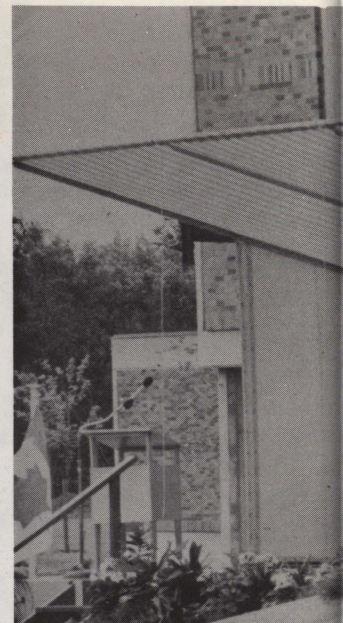
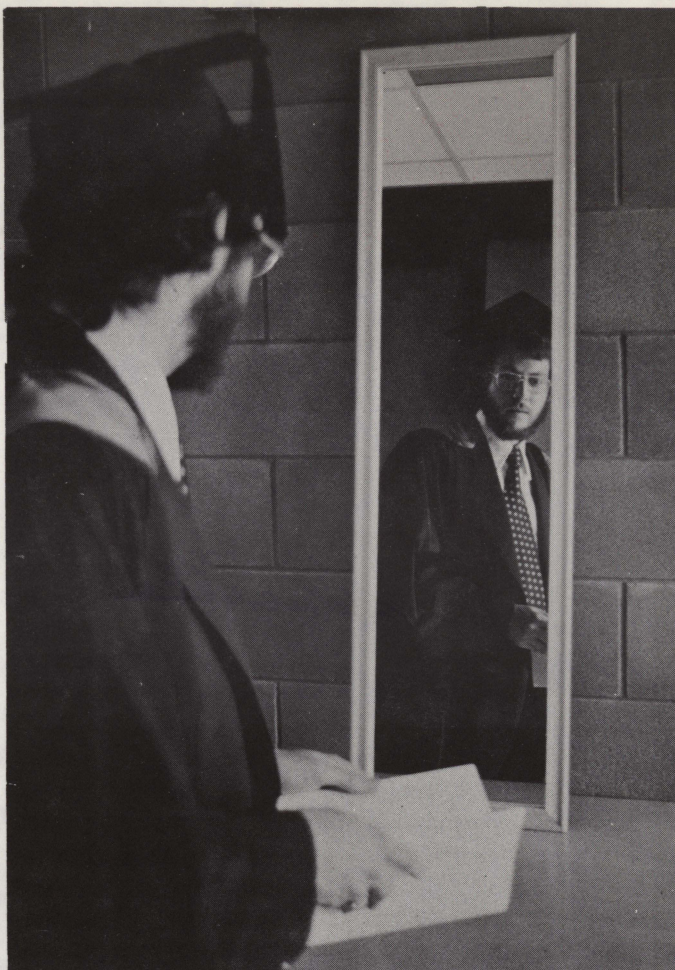
"University Affairs comes out on or before the 15th of the month, but it's often three weeks before people receive it."

Subscribers do have the option of paying five dollars to obtain the ten yearly issues (there is no publication in June and August) by first class mail.

CONVOCATION ON CABLE 10

A colour video-tape recording of the Convocation ceremony held last Saturday will be carried on cablevision Channel 10 Friday, May 31 at 7:30 p.m.

The recording of the event was made by the Department of Media and Technical Services.



An honorary degree is conferred upon Sir Charles Wright (above). Below, approximately 70 faculty members took part in the Academic Procession.



A graduating student checks his image (above right) and the lone two Child Care graduates hold a last-minute conversation (above) before joining the procession of almost 500 graduands to the platform on the ziggurat. Fair weather, colourful academic regalia and lively band music helped make Saturday's Convocation ceremony memorable for the estimated 3,500 persons in attendance.





CLASSICS WEEKENDS

Two Residential Classics Weekends on campus, sponsored by the Department and Division of Continuing Education, were the best ever according to those involved. Participants included residents of the Greater Vancouver and Victoria areas as well as citizens from Nanaimo, Duncan and other Island points. Because of enrolment expectations, two weekends were scheduled this year and both were well attended.

Dr. S. Scully, Department of Classics, coordinated the academic program which involved nearly all members of the Department throughout the Weekends. Lectures, discussions, playreadings and debates kept the pace at a lively level and discussion on the major academic themes was significant and spirited.

This is the third year in which Residential Weekends have been offered and it is hoped that they will be a continuing programme. Academic planning for the Weekends began in the Fall of 1973.

NANAIMO PROJECT TO EXPAND

A unique Physical Education project at Princess Anne School in Nanaimo will be expanding in September after a very successful year, according to the organizer of the programme Les Peake (Physical Education).

The programme, for second grade chil-

dren, complemented the system used in the classroom and involved individual sequential skill development, a buddy system with grade five students, daily contracts, learning centres and remedial work.

Mr. Peake conducted a demonstration of the program recently for one hundred district teachers.

All primary classes at Princess Anne School will participate in the project in the coming academic year.

ATHLETICS CONFERENCES

Athletic Director Mike Elcock represented the university at two conferences in Alberta this month.

The first, in Lethbridge May 6 to 8 brought together athletics department representatives from universities in B.C., Alberta and Saskatchewan to discuss common problems and arrange scheduling of events for the coming year.

The Canada West University Athletic Association annual conference was "marked by a strong feeling of cooperation" Mr. Elcock said.

He added that UVic will host the Canada West Cross Country Championship in November as well as one section each of the men's and women's volleyball tournaments.

Following the Lethbridge meetings, Mr. Elcock attended a four day intra-mural workshop in Banff.

Present at the workshop were representatives from elementary, junior secondary and senior secondary schools from the three western provinces.

Discussions covered the philosophy, organization, promotion and programme content of intermurals.

Mr. Elcock will also attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union in Montreal June 17 to 21.

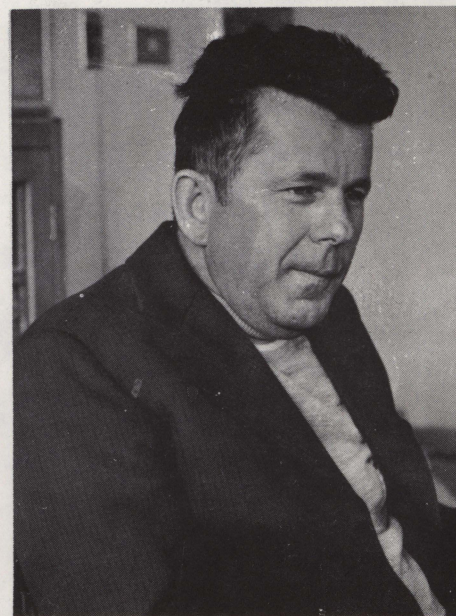
POLISH PROFESSOR VISITS

The already international flavour of the Chemistry faculty has been enhanced by the presence this summer of Docent Wladyslaw Michalik of the Academy of Mining and Metallurgy in Krakow, Poland.

Dr. Michalik is here at the invitation of Dr. R.N. O'Brien with whom he will be working for four months. The two will be continuing research projects begun during Dr. Michalik's first visit to UVic in 1972. They will also begin other new research projects.

The research includes an investigation of solutions of copper sulphate and zinc sulphate, involving the use of interferometry,

Dr. Wladyslaw Michalik



and an examination of the properties of ammonium flouride.

Results of the research could affect methods of metallic plating, electrolytic refining of metals and many other electrochemical problems. The results will also form the basis of the thesis which Dr. Michalik will defend in Krakow in October and which will earn him the chair of

associate professor in the Academy.

Dr. Michalik has encountered a number of differences in the operation of his institution and that of UVic. He noted the computerized organization of the library is a good idea, and more common here than in his academy. Also, he said, methods of sharing apparatus for research are somewhat more informal at UVic.

Polish industry turns directly to the nation's universities for help in scientific investigations, Dr. Michalik said. Research groups, which also include many students, are supported by both industry and the government.

Although this assistance to research — and the additional income — are welcome, Dr. Michalik said, "They expect to get good results in a short time, and therefore, it makes it difficult to do research only for amusement."

Dr. Michalik's interest extends to other levels of education, with which he has become familiar through his wife's experience as a high school teacher.

The Polish school system has undergone large scale modernization, he said, beginning with a substantial increase in teacher salaries to bring them to almost university level.

"Polish basic schools and high schools have introduced experimental methods of teaching math, physics, and other subjects, not only for the specially intelligent students, but for everyone.

"The results have been really surprising," said Dr. Michalik who has watched his daughter successfully deal with logarithms in the third grade.

"When my daughter — now in the eighth grade — puts me questions, I have to be very careful to answer properly."

MANPOWER OFFICERS VISIT

The university, in conjunction with the Canada Manpower office on campus, hosted a visit by seven Foreign Service Officers May 23.

Canada Manpower Manager Frank Schroeder who organized the visit said all seven officers were on a tour of Western Canada prior to re-posting to foreign service offices in the U.S. and overseas.

The officers, representing the federal department of Manpower and Immigration, are usually attached to either a Canadian High Commission office, Embassy, or Consulate and advise prospective immigrants and students on opportunities in Canada.

Mr. Schroeder said, "It is customary for

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Foreign Service Officers to visit various areas of the country before returning to their overseas postings to come up to date on current conditions".

The group headed up island to Nanaimo and Port Alberni to inspect industrial sites before returning to Ottawa.



Manpower and Immigration Officers pause in front of the library during a brief tour of the campus.

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